

1 the notion that only those who owned land had a stake in
2 the society. The minority does not wish to debate whether
3 this idea has had any basis in fact at the time.

4 It does wish to emphasize two major points, one, economic
5 description in property qualifications have no place in
6 a largely democratic society and, two, real estate, with-
7 out question, no longer is considered the basis of one's
8 stake in society.

9 It has been argued that it would be very bad
10 for certain communities if property owners who did not
11 live in the community were denied the vote. Mr. Markly
12 Williams, Solicitor of Ocean City, in response to a
13 question stated the following: "I don't think there is
14 any difference or any competition or conflict or clash
15 whatsoever between residents and nonresidents. We are
16 all together, whether we live there or not. I don't think
17 the elections would be changed."

18 It should be noted Ocean City permits
19 corporations to vote in municipal elections as well.
20 The minority agrees with Mr. Williams, that the residents
21 of Ocean City share the values of the nonresident property